

NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD

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MEMORANDUM FOR NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD
NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE COUNCIL

FROM : Walter Elder
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT : Proposed DCI Directive on Foreign Language Training

1. The attached draft DCID has been reviewed by the DDCI and approved for circulation for your consideration.

2. You are requested to provide your comments to the Executive Secretary by close of business, 19 February 1982. If you have not commented by that time, or have not requested more time for consideration, the Executive Secretary will take it that the draft DCID is suitable for forwarding to the DCI for approval.


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Director of Central Intelligence Directive
Foreign Language Training Committee

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 102, the National Security Act of 1947, and Executive Order 12333, there is established a Foreign Language Training Committee.

1. Mission

The mission of the Foreign Language Training Committee is to serve as the focal point within the Intelligence Community, and between the Intelligence Community and other elements of the United States Government, for all matters dealing with recruitment, training, and retention of personnel with requisite foreign language expertise to serve the needs of the Community in the collection, processing and production of national foreign intelligence and counterintelligence.

2. Functions

Under the general guidance of the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, the Committee will:

a. Advise the DCI on the effectiveness of programs to recruit, train, and retain personnel with adequate foreign language competence for all elements of the Intelligence Community.

b. Recommend to the DCI new initiatives to be undertaken to ensure the continuing availability to the Intelligence Community of intelligence collectors, processors, and producers with the requisite foreign language competence.

c. Coordinate replies to all queries from Congressional committees concerning the Community's foreign language competence.

d. Represent the Intelligence Community's interests in programs sponsored by other U.S. Government agencies and departments outside the Intelligence Community to improve foreign language studies in the nation's schools and universities.

e. Ensure that approaches to the academic community for the training of Intelligence Community personnel in foreign languages are appropriately coordinated and, to the maximum degree possible, serve Community as well as individual Agency interests.

f. Perform such other tasks as the DCI or DDCI may direct.

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3. Responsibilities of the Intelligence Community

Intelligence Community components will keep the committee chairman advised of initiatives designed to facilitate the recruitment, training, and retention of personnel with foreign language competence.

4. Composition and Organization

The committee chairman will be appointed by the Director of Central Intelligence.

The members of the committee will be representatives designated by the Intelligence Community principals.

With the approval of the DCI, the committee chairman may invite representatives of relevant U.S. Government entities with national security interests to participate as appropriate.

The committee will be supported by an Executive Secretariat.